



**Jefferson Franklin (1836 – 1901)**

Franklin was born a slave near Knoxville, Crawford County, Georgia on March 3, 1836. He was self-educated and became a merchant tailor in Macon, Georgia. Franklin was elected as a Republican to the Forty-first Congress to fill a vacancy. He served from December 22, 1870, to March 3, 1871; After serving as a delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1880, he resumed his business in Macon.